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SUBJ :EASUM'S KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY SPEECH

1. DO NOT UNDERSTAND WHY WE WERE SCOOPED ON EASUM SPEECH BY ARTICLE IN TODAY'S ARGUS FROM THE ARGUS BUREAU(READ KEN OWEN) IN WASHINGTON WHICH OBVIOUSLY REACHED PAPER WELL BEFORE WE GOT PREPARED (PRESUMABLY ADVANCE)TEXT IN USINFO SENT IMMEDIATE WITH DTG OF 262300Z NOV 74.

2. ARGUS ARTICLE COMMENTS THAT BY A TECHNIQUE OF USING FREQUENT QUOTES FROM AFRICAN LEADERS EASUM 'MANAGED TO STRIKE DIFFERENT NOTES' FROM HIS PREDECESSOR,EXPLAINING THAT 'WHERE NEWSOM QUOTED AFRICAN LEADERS AS BEING MORE CONCERNED ABOUT THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF THEIR OWN COUNTRIES THAN ABOUT THE SOUTHERN AFRICA SITUATION, MR.EASUM FOUND QUESTIONS OF RACE EQUALITY AND DECOLONIZATION TO BE THE DOMINANT CONCERN IN ALL BLACK CAPITALS.' 'MORE SIGNIFICANTLY,' PAPER ADDED, 'MR.EASUM EMPHASIZED BOTH SOUTH AFRICA'S PIVOTAL ROLE IN THE SUB-CONTINENT AND THE INDICATIONS OF A CHANGE OF HEART IN PRETORIA-- CONSTANTLY IMPLYING THAT THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT NEEDED TO MATCH ITS WORDS WITH ACTIONS.' BALANCE OF ARTICLE GIVEN LARGELY TO QUOTES OF EASUM'S REFERENCES TO VORSTER AND BOTHA SPEECHES AND 'SIR OF EXPECTANCY' THEY HAD CREATED.

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